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In re application of

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Sir:

The undersigned, on behalf of the petitioner, CARL ZEISS SMT AG, represents that the petitioner, CARL ZEISS SMT AG is the owner of the entire right, title and interest of U.S.

Application No. 10/152,290, filed on May 22, 2002 for CATADIOPTIC REDUCTION LENS by virtue of an Assignment from all of the inventors thereof executed on June 3, 2002 and July 3, 2002, respectively, recorded on August 20, 2002 at Reel 013208, Frame 0766, now issued as U.S. Patent 6,717,746 as well as the entire right, title and interest in the above-captioned U.S. Application No. 10/772,310 by virtue of an Assignment from all of the inventors thereof executed on June 3, 2002 and July 3, 2002, respectively, recorded on August 20, 2002, at Reel 013208, Frame 0766, filed in parent application Serial No. 10/152,290 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,717,746).

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The undersigned is an attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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